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sample is removed from bonded premises to the general premises of the same distilled spirits plant.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1360, as amended, 1362, as amended, 1382, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5206, 5214, 5373))

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### Subpart W—Records and Reports

**GENERAL** 

#### §19.721 Records.

- (a) In General. (1) The records to be maintained by proprietors shall include:
- (i) All individual transaction forms, records, and summaries specifically required by this part;
- (ii) All supplemental, auxiliary, and source data utilized in the compilation of required forms, records, and summaries, and for preparation of reports, returns, and claims; and
- (iii) Copies of notices, reports, returns, and approved applications and other documents relating to operations and transactions.
- (2) The records required by this part may consist of the proprietor's commercial documents, rather than records prepared expressly to meet the requirements of this part, if such documents contain all the details required by this part to be recorded, are consistent with the general requirements of clarity and accuracy, and do not result in difficulty in their examination.
- (b) *Accounts*. The records required by this part to be maintained by proprietors shall be arranged into three primary operational accounts:
  - (1) Production,
  - (2) Storage, and
  - (3) Processing.

Records shall indicate receipts, movements between accounts, transfers in bond, or withdrawals of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines.

- (c) Exceptions. The term "records" as used in this subpart does not include copies of qualifying documents required under subpart G, or of bonds required under Subpart H of this part.
- (d) Special provisions. See 27 CFR 70.22 for information with respect to TTB

examination of financial records and books of account.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207))

# §19.722 Conversion between metric and U.S. units.

When liters are converted to wine gallons, the quantity in liters shall be multiplied by 0.264172 to determine the equivalent quantity in wine gallons. Cases containing the same quantity of spirits of the same proof in metric bottles may be converted to U.S. units by multiplying the liters in one case by the number of cases to be converted, as follows: (a) If the conversion from liters to U.S. units is made before multiplying by the number of cases, the quantity in U.S. units shall be rounded to the sixth decimal; or (b) If the conversion is made after multiplying by the number of cases, the quantity in U.S. units shall be rounded to the nearest hundredth. Once converted to wine gallons, the proof gallons of spirits in cases shall be determined as provided in 27 CFR 30.52.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201))

# § 19.723 Maintenance and preservation of records.

- (a) Place of maintenance. Records required by this part shall be prepared and kept by the proprietor at the plant where the operation or transaction occurs and shall be available for inspection by any appropriate TTB officer during business hours.
- (b) Reproduction of original records. (1) Whenever any record, because of its condition, becomes unsuitable for its intended or continued use, the proprietor shall reproduce such record, by a process approved by the appropriate TTB officer under §19.725 for reproducing records, and such reproduction shall be treated and considered for all purposes as though it were the original record.
- (2) All provisions of law applicable to the original record shall be applicable to such reproductions.
- (c) Retention of records. (1) Records required by this part shall be preserved for a period of not less than three years from the date thereof or the date of the last entry required to be made thereon,